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PRODUCTION"

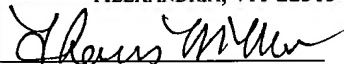
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED SEPTEMBER 2, 2003

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application. This request is being submitted after appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, but prior to a decision on the appeal.

A fee in the amount of \$395.00 for this request is included.

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Included with this RCE is an Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2003. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of the amendments and remarks below.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper; and
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.